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Security Council

11 a.m. . . . . 4613th meeting . . . . . Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Morning[1] . . . . . Consultations of the whole (closed) . . . . . Consultation Room

The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian Question

Other matters

[1] To be held following the adjournment of the 4613th meeting.

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

10.30 a.m. . . . . . 18th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Gustavo Noboa Bejarano, President of the Republic of Ecuador
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alhaji Ahmad Tejan Kabbah, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone
3. Address by His Excellency Mr. Askar Akayev, President of the Kyrgyz Republic
4. Continuation of the general debate:

   Address by His Excellency The Right Honourable Barnabas Sibusiso Dlamini, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Swaziland

   Estonia

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United Arab Emirates

Gambia

Eritrea

Republic of Moldova

Antigua and Barbuda

3 p.m. . . . . 19th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Conclusion of the general debate:

Address by Her Excellency The Honourable Sandra Pierantozzi, Vice-President and Minister of Health of the Republic of Palau

Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Albania

Grenada

Cyprus

Guinea-Bissau

Liberia

Somalia

Czech Republic

Suriname

Marshall Islands

Cameroon

2. Adoption of the agenda, organization of work and allocation of items:

(a) First report of the General Committee (A/57/250)

(b) Request for the inclusion of an additional sub-item: note by the Secretary-General (A/57/231)

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10

Executive session on the Board of Auditors

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Friday, 20 September 2002

African Group
(on Sixth Committee matters)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6

Meeting of Foreign Ministers of the Economic Community of West African States

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Ministerial Meeting of the Indian Ocean Rim Association for Regional Cooperation

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 5

Arab Group
(at the ambassadorial level)

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room D

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm.

Friday, 20 September 2002

Room S-226

11 a.m. . . . . H.E. Mr. Ioannis Kasoulides, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Cyprus

Immediately following the noon briefing. . . . Off-the-record briefing on the Secretary-General's report on the United Nations reform, to be released on Monday, 23 September 2002

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

Committees

First Committee

The First Committee will begin its substantive work by holding a general debate on all disarmament and related inter-national security agenda items from Monday, 30 September, to Friday, 11 October 2002. The list of speakers for the general debate is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact the secretariat of the First Committee (Mr. Eduard Fesko (tel. 1 (212) 963-7169; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Delegations are reminded that names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted to Mr. Mohammad K. Sattar, Secretary of the First Committee (room S-2977H; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will hold its 1st meeting on Thursday, 26 September 2002, 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. The agenda will be: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur; and (b) Organization of work (A/C.4/57/1[1] and A/C.4/57/L.1[1]).

The Committee will begin its substantive work on Monday, 30 September, at 3 p.m. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to decolonization items, which will begin on Monday, 30 September (see document A/C.4/57/L.1[1]), are kindly requested to notify Ms. Catherina Dakay (room S-2977; tel. 1 (212) 963-9223).

Delegations are also reminded that the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers are to be submitted to Ms. Lesley M. Wilkinson, Secretary of the Committee (room S-2977K; fax 1 (212) 963-5305).

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Tuesday, 24 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.2/57/L.1[1]. The Committee will also begin its general debate on Monday, 30 September, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The Under-Secretary-General, Mr. Nitin Desai, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will make a statement. The list of speakers for the general debate, and all other items allocated to the Second committee, *will be open at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, 24 September*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the secretariat of the Committee (Ms. Maria Thompson (tel. 1 (212) 963-2183; fax 1 (212) 963-5935).

[1] To be issued.

Third Committee

The Third Committee will hold its organizational meeting on Thursday, 26 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in conference Room 3, to elect its Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur and to consider its proposed organization of work as contained in document A/C.3/57/L.1[1]. The Committee will also begin consideration of the items entiled "Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice" and "International Drug Control" on Monday, 30 September, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1. The list of speakers for the general discussion on all items allocated to the Third Committee will be open at 3 p.m. on Monday, 23 September. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to contact the Acting Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Alexandre De Barros or Mrs. Lydia Bawar, (tel. 1 (212) 963-2320 and 963-5973; fax 1 (212-963-5935).

Delegations are also requested to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to Mr. Alexandre De Barros, Acting Secretary of the Committee (room S-2950G; fax 1 (212)-963-5935)

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold its 1st meeting on Wednesday, 25 September 2002, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 3, to consider the following issues: (a) Election of Vice-Chairmen and a Rapporteur; (b) Organization of work (A/C.5/57/1[1], A/C.5/57/L.1[1] and A/C.5/57/L.2[1]); and (c) Letter dated 27 June 2002 from the Acting President of the General Assembly addressed to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/56/46).

[1] To be issued.

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold the United Nations International Conference of Civil Society in Support of the Palestinian People on the theme "End the occupation" on Monday and Tuesday, 23 and 24 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4. All members of Governments, intergovernmental organizations and United Nations agencies are invited to attend the plenary meetings as observers.

Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s
Substantive session

The substantive session of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the Final Review and Appraisal of the Implementation of the United Nations New Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s will be held from 24 to 26 September 2002 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Secretariat of the Committee (Mr. Tam Chung (tel. 1 (212) 963-1901; fax 1 (212) 963-5305)).

Security Council

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism

The oral briefing by the Chairman of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism to interested Member States of the United Nations, scheduled for Monday, 23 September 2002, has been postponed to Tuesday, 24 September, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Economic and Social Council

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Second regular session for 2002

The second regular session for 2002 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Monday, 23 September to Friday, 27 September 2002, in Conference Room 2. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2002/L.3. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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Islamic Group
(on Sixth Committee matters)
(at the expert level)

There will be a (closed) meeting of the Islamic Group *(on Sixth Committee matters) (at the expert level)* on Monday, 23 September 2002, at 9.15 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Group of 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

There will be a (closed) meeting of the Group of 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)* on Monday, 23 September 2002, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

UNCTAD Briefing on the World Investment Report 2002

The United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) will hold a briefing on the *World Investment Report 2002* on Monday, 23 September 2002, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room A. A presentation will be made by Mr. Karl Sauvant, Director, Division on Investment, Technology and Enterprise Development, UNCTAD. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend. Copies of the report will be available at the meeting.

International Labour Organization Briefing on "Combating the Employment Crisis"

There will be a briefing on the theme "Combating the Employment Crisis", organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO), on Tuesday, 24 September 2002, at 11 a.m. in *Conference Room A*. A presentation will be made by Mr. Eddy Lee, ILO Senior Economic Advisor. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis, New York ILO Liaison Office (tel. 1 (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

UNITAR Briefing on Developments in Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DOALOS) of the Office of Legal Affairs are jointly organizing a briefing on developments in ocean affairs and the law of the sea 20 years after the conclusion of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea. This briefing, to be conducted in English, will be held at United Nations Headquarters in New York on Wednesday and Thursday, 25 and 26 September 2002, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. For further information, please contact Ms. Nicole Valenta at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196 or 963-9684).

UNITAR Workshop Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology"

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) has organized the new Series entitled "Policy Awareness and Training in Information Technology", under the auspices of the ICT Task Force and the Working Group on Informatics. This programme is being implemented with the active participation and sponsorship of Intel Corporation, Inc. The programme consists of a set of four progressive modules and one seminar presented as a cycle, which is currently being repeated four times a year. The first four modules of each cycle focus on (a) Introduction to Computers and Windows 2000; (b) E-mail and Internet Search Basics; (c) Introduction to Microsoft Word 2000; and (d) Web-page Design Basics and Usability Techniques; and is geared towards all diplomats. The fifth module, which is conducted as an interactive seminar, covers "Policy Awareness and Security Issues on Information Technology" and is aimed essentially at ambassadors and senior diplomats and open to members of the United Nations staff as well as non-governmental organizations.

The fourth and last cycle of the 2002 Series, to be conducted in English, will be held on every alternate Friday *from 4 October to 15 November 2002.* For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Graham (room DC1-603; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Security Council **Daily informal briefings**

As from Tuesday, 3 September 2002, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members

of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530.

Third Committee of the General Assembly

Copies of the revised document containing the proposed organization of work of the Third Committee are available in room S-2950.

Deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda

Member States and non-Member States maintaining permanent observer missions at United Nations Headquarters are reminded that the deadline for the nomination of candidates for election as permanent judges of the International Tribunal for Rwanda will expire on Monday, 23 September 2002. Any nominations that they may wish to make should be communicated the Legal Counsel (room S-3427A) before the close of business of that day.

Credentials of representatives to the fifty-seventh session

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the fifty-seventh session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Credentials should be sent to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358; room S-3420A.)

Meetings

Thursday, 19 September 2002

Security Council

4611th meeting *The situation in Afghanistan*

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Lakhdar Brahimi, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The Council heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Lakdhar Brahimi.

4612th (closed) meeting *Meeting of the Security Council with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B*

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 19 September 2002, the Security Council, pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B, held its 4612th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

"The members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views with representatives of participating troop-contributing countries."

General Assembly

Fifty-seventh session

16th plenary meeting *Continuation of the general debate*

H.E. The Honourable Laisenia Qarase, Prime Minister of the Republic of Fiji, addressed the General Assembly.

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. The Honourable James Francis Wapakabulo, Third Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uganda; H.E. Ms. Anna Lindh, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Sweden; His Royal Highness Prince Mohamed Bolkiah, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brunei Darussalam; H.E. Mr. Eduard Kukan, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Slovakia; H.E. Mr. Hugo Tolentino Dipp, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs of the Dominican Republic; H.E. Mr. Win Aung, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Myanmar; H.E. Mr. Hidipo Hamutenya, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Namibia; H.E. Mr. Habib Ben Yahia, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Tunisia; H.E. Mr. Naji Sabri, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Iraq; H.E. Mr. Ernst Walch, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Liechtenstein, and H.E. The Honourable Billie Miller, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Foreign Trade of Barbados.

17th plenary meeting *Continuation of the general debate*

The General Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Lassana Traore, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Mali; H.E. Mr. Fathulla Jameel, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Maldives; H.E. Mr. Irakli Menagarishvili, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia; H.E. The Honourable Arjon Jung Bahaur Singh, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs of Nepal; H.E. Mr. Ali Abdi Farah, Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of Djibouti; H.E. Mr. Youssouf Ouédraogo, Minister of State, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Burkina Faso; H.E. Mr. Abdulaziz Kamilov, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Uzbekistan; H.E. Mr. André Bumaya, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Regional Cooperation of Rwanda; H.E. Mr. Agba Otikpo Mezode, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Central African Republic; H.E. Mr. Fawzi

Bin Abdul Majeed Shobokshi, Chairman of the Delegation of Saudi Arabia, and H.E. Mrs. María Eugenia Brizuela de Ávila, Minister for Foreign Affairs of El Salvador.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Armenia and Turkey.

Economic and Social Council

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Second regular session for 2002

25th–26th meetings

Cash assistance to Government in the context of UNICEF programme cooperation modalities . . . . . [6]

The Director, Programme Division, introduced the item. The Comptroller made some remarks.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, China, Norway, Switzerland and Gabon.

The Comptroller, the Director, Programme Division and the Deputy Executive Director, responded to issues raised by the delegations.

The Board took note of the report contained in document E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.5. The Board also had before it for review the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions, as contained in document E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.6. The Board took note of the report.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 6.

Private Sector Division . . . . . [9]

(a) Financial report and statements for the year ended 31 December 2001

(b) Progress on the development of the comprehensive Private Sector Division business plan: oral report

The Director, Private Sector Division, introduced the item and gave an oral report on progress achieved in the development of the comprehensive Private Sector Division business plan.

Statements were made by the representatives of Switzerland, Ireland, France, Japan, China, Germany and the United States. The Chairperson of the Standing Group of National Committees for UNICEF also made a statement.

The Director, Private Sector Division, and the Executive Director responded to issues raised by the delegations.

The Board took note of the report contained in document E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.3.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of item 9.

Internal audit activities for 2001 . . . . . [12]

The Director of the Office of Internal Audit introduced the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland, Norway, the Netherlands, China, Gabon, Denmark and Canada.

The Director, Office of Internal Audit and the Deputy Executive Director responded to issues raised by the delegations.

The Board took note of the report, as contained in document E/ICEF/2002/AB/L.8.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of item 12.

The President suspended the meeting for informal discussions.

Programme of work for 2003 . . . . . [13]

The Secretary of the Board introduced the item.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands (also on behalf of Germany and the United Kingdom), India, Sweden (also for Denmark, Finland and Norway), the United States, Morocco, Cuba, Switzerland, China, France, Canada and Yemen, to which the Secretary, the Executive Director and the Deputy Executive Director responded.

The Board adopted the draft programme of work for 2003, as contained in document E/ICEF/2002/14 as amended.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 13.

Other matters . . . . . [14]

The Executive Director made some remarks about the UNICEF branding exercise.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Netherlands, Slovenia and Germany.

The Board thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 14.

Closing of the session: remarks by the Executive Director and the President of the Executive Board . . . . . [15]

The Executive Director and the President of the Executive Board made some concluding remarks.

The Board thus concluded its second regular session for 2002.

Convention on the Rights of the Child

Committee on the Rights of the Child
Thirty-first session
United Nations Office at Geneva

811th–812th meetings *Consideration of reports of States parties* . . . . . [4]

The Committee began and concluded its examination of the second periodic report of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (CRC/C/83/Add.3). In accordance with the Committee's provisional rules of procedure, representatives of the State party were present at the meetings and replied to questions raised and observations made by members of the Committee.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Malawi (19 September 2002) [1]

Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the International Criminal Court. New York, 9 September 2002

Signature: Senegal (19 September 2002)

Convention on the Prohibition of the Use, Stockpiling, Production and Transfer of Anti-Personnel Mines and on their Destruction. Oslo, 18 September 1997

Ratification: Cameroon (19 September 2002) [1]

Accession: Comoros (19 September 2002) [1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

International Day of Peace

On the occasion of the International Day of Peace, the Staff Union has committed to sponsor a continuous vigil, in the United Nations Meditation Room, beginning *today*, 20 September 2002, at 7.15 a.m. (the exact moment that the International Day of Peace begins in the Chatham Islands (New Zealand)), until midnight *tomorrow*, 21 September. This extended period of observation symbolizes the international representation of the United Nations. Members of delegations and Secretariat staff who wish to participate to maintain a constant observance in the Meditation Room during this period are encouraged to sign up for a minimum 15 minute time period (please check to see what times are availabe at www.unstaffunion.org) and notify Ms. Monique Zabal, zabal@un.org, of your preferred time).

Women's International Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Wednesday, 25 September 2002, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium. A presentation will be made by Mr. Stephen Lewis, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General for HIV/AIDS in Africa, on "Where AIDS is Concerned, Gender Inequality is Lethal". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Security announcement

Members of delegations with valid grounds passes may access the restricted area without secondary passes but they are still required to pass through magnetometers. First Avenue will remain closed between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. until further notice. Nightly, from 7 p.m. to 7 a.m., the next morning, First Avenue will reopen to vehicular traffic. Only escorted motorcades will be allowed access at the 43rd Street vehicular entrance.

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Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:
www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373
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